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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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FOR: ARTICULATION SLEEVE FOR A CLAMP

ENCLOSED ARE:

- (X) Specification (<u>15</u> pages), Claims (<u>3</u> pages/<u>7</u> claims) and Abstract;
- (X) <u>two</u> (<u>2</u>) sheets of Drawings; (Figs. 1 13)
- (X) Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- (X) Assignment to Rasmussen GmbH
- (X) Certified copy of GermanPat.Appli.No: 103 14 999.6 filed April the priority of which is claimed under 35 USC 119;
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- (X) Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and 4 references;

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